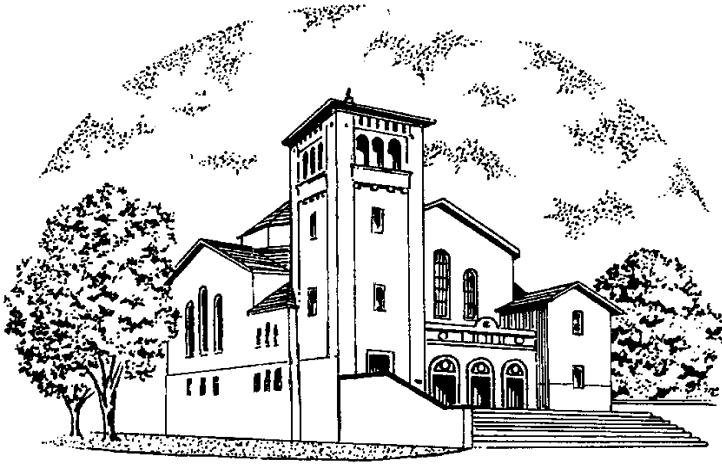


Cochrane Street United Church

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May 1, 2022

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Welcome to Cochrane Street United Church

Whether you are here for the first time or this is your church home – welcome to our community of faith.

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OFFICE

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GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*please stand as you are able

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We respectfully acknowledge the territory in which we gather as the ancestral homelands of the Beothuk, and the island of Newfoundland as the ancestral homelands of the Mi'kmaq and Beothuk. We would also like to recognize the Inuit of Nunatsiavut and NunatuKavut and the Innu of Nitassinan, and their ancestors, as the original people of Labrador. We strive for respectful relationships with all the peoples of this province as we search for collective healing and true reconciliation and honour this beautiful land together.

PRELUDE:

INTROIT VU 166: Joy Comes with the Dawn vs. 3

REFRAIN: Joy comes with the dawn;
joy comes with the morning sun;
joy springs from the tomb
and scatters the night with her song,
joy comes with the dawn.

We will rejoice,
we will rejoice, and give praise,
to the One who brings us grace. **R**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please see your congregational email for detailed announcements.

LIGHTING OF CHRIST CANDLE & PASSING OF THE PEACE:

The light of Christ is with us
Here. Now. In this place.

In Christ, although we are many,
We are one.

Let our hospitality towards each other reflect God's love.
The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

REFLECTIVE MUSIC VU 179: Hallelujah Give Thanks to the Risen Christ vs. 4

REFRAIN: Hallelujah, hallelujah. Give thanks to the risen Christ;
hallelujah, hallelujah! Give praise to God's name.

Come let us praise the living God,
joyfully sing to our Saviour. **R**

CALL TO WORSHIP:

This is the season of Easter:

the celebration of resurrection,

the festival of hope,

the promise of new beginnings,

the dance of faith,

the song of joy,

the music of gladness,

the hymn of love.

Let us worship our life-giving God!

PRAYER OF APPROACH:

Holy God,

When the journey is hard

strength is failing, we lose the path, stumble or fall,

You raise us up,

refresh, encourage, give hope.

You enable us to continue on our way,

climb mountains or simply follow day by day. Amen.

HYMN VU 412: This is the Day (vs. 1–4)

1, 4 This is the day, this is the day
that our God has made, that our God has made;
we will rejoice, we will rejoice,
and be glad in it, and be glad in it.
This is the day that our God has made,
we will rejoice and be glad in it.
This is the day, this is the day
that our God has made.

2 Open to us, open to us
your gates, O God, your gates, O God;
we will go in, we will go in,
to your holy place, to your holy place.
Open to us your gates, O God,
we will go in to your holy place.
Open to us, open to us
your gates, O God.

3 You are our God, you are our God,
we will praise your name, we will praise your name;
we will give thanks, we will give thanks,
for your faithfulness, for your faithfulness.
You are our God, we will praise your name,
we will give thanks for your faithfulness.
You are our God, you are our God,
we will praise your name.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Let us confess our shortcomings,
recalling the words of Christ:

Jesus said, "Peace be with you."

**Yet sometimes we sow discord,
neglecting to make peace with our sisters and brothers.**

Jesus said, "As God has sent me, so I send you."

**Yet sometimes we refuse to go, fearing to follow
unknown paths of faith.**

Jesus said, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

But we turn away, rejecting the gifts of the Spirit.

Forgive us, blessed God,

in the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

As the sun melts the ice in spring,
as blossoms burst forth on dry branches—
so God's warmth heals and transforms
the deadness and brokenness within us.

In Christ we are a forgiven people!

Thanks be to God. Amen

LEARNING TOGETHER

OFFERING INVITATION & VOLUNTARY

There are many ways you can offer your financial gifts. As you enter the sanctuary you may lay your offering in the plate. You can send your offering by mail or drop them off in the mailbox. You can donate via eTransfer:

csuctreasurer@gmail.com. You can sign up for PAR (Pre-Authourized Remittance) or use the donate button on our website.

OFFERTORY HYMN VU 159: The Strife is O'er vs. 4

On the third morn he rose again,

glorious in majesty to reign;

O let us swell the joyful strain, hallelujah!

OFFERTORY PRAYER

GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

Holy God,
You speak to us in many ways,
through rushing wind or still small voice,
in Scripture's Word and through your Grace.
Help us hear your voice above the clamour of this world,
recognize the difference and follow only you. Amen

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 9:1 - 16

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE PSALM 30

REFRAIN: Though tears flow for a night, the morning brings new joy.

I will extol you, O God, for you have lifted me up;

you have not let my enemies triumph over me.

O God, my God, I cried to you for help,
and you restored my health.

You brought me back from the dead;

you saved my life as I was going down to the Grave.

Let all your servants sing praises to you,
and give thanks to your holy name.

**Your anger is but for a moment,
but your kindness is life eternal. R**

In my prosperity I said,

**'I shall never be shaken; your favour, O God,
has made me as firm as any strong mountain.'**

You turned your face away from me, and I was greatly dismayed.

I called to you; I made my appeal:

**'What profit is there in my death,
in my going down to the Grave?**

Will the dust give you praise?

Will it proclaim your faithfulness?

**Hear, O God, and be gracious to me;
O God, be my helper.' R**

You turned my mourning into dancing;

**you stripped off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,
so that my heart will sing your praise without ceasing.**

O God, my God, I will give thanks to you forever. R

SCRIPTURE READING

John 21:1 - 19

The Word of the Lord – **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM:

SERMON:

HYMN VU 563: Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore (vs. 1–4)

1 Jesus, you have come to the lakeshore
looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones;
you only asked me to follow humbly.

REFRAIN: O Jesus, with your eyes you have searched me,
and while smiling, have spoken my name;
now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me;
by your side I will seek other seas.

2 You know so well my possessions;
my boat carries no gold and no weapons;
- you will find there my nets and labour. R

3 You need my hands, full of caring
through my labours to give others rest,
and constant love that keeps on loving. R

4 You, who have fished other oceans,
ever longed for by souls who are waiting,
my loving friend, as thus you call me. R

GOING FORTH TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.

Thy Kingdom Come, Thy will be done on earth as it is heaven.

**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;**

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

HYMN VU # 288: Great Is Thy Faithfulness (vs. 1–3)

1 Great is thy faithfulness, God our Creator;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

REFRAIN: Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided -
great is thy faithfulness, ever to me!

2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. R

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow -
wondrous the portion thy blessings provide. R

PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE

Holy God, Dreamer of dreams,

We offer Cochrane Street United Church to you. We are your people, this is your church. We come to you seeking your guidance, your purpose, your vision. Align our will with yours, so that we will be willing to do whatever it takes to carry out your plan. We ask you to break through in new ways in our church. Show us the great ministry you have in store for us. Help us dream your dreams. Pour out your Holy Spirit on us, giving us the vision, boldness, and confidence to do all that you call us to do. Amen.

COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

SUNG BENEDICTION VU #164: The Day of Resurrection vs. 1

The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad;
the passover of gladness, the passover of God!
From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky,
our Christ has brought us over with hymns of victory.

POSTLUDE

Please take your bulletins with you when you leave the pew.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

May 01:	In-Person Worship Service led by Tim Reynolds Guest Music Leader, Maggie Power
May 03:	CSUC Council Mtg, 7PM (via ZOOM & phone)
May 13 - 15:	FDEE ACM (on-line only)
May 15:	Celebrating 140 th Anniversary of CSUC
May 15:	CSUC ACM
June 11:	CSUC Plant Sale (<i>more details to follow</i>)

ANNOUNCEMENTS: If you wish to add an announcement, please have it into the office by Wednesday at noon.

NO SCENTS Makes Good Sense! A friendly reminder that members of our congregation are sensitive to scented products. Thank you for helping.

Rev. Miriam is on Vacation and Study Leave from April 18–May 1. If there is an emergency while she is off, please contact Rev. James Ravenscroft at St. James United Church. He can be reached at 709-351-0983. On April 24th, Rev. Miriam and Evan have pre-recorded an on-line service. On May 1st, Tim Reynolds will lead our Sunday worship service and Maggie Power will be our guest music leader.

NEXT MEETING OF CHURCH COUNCIL is scheduled for Tuesday, May 3, 2022. If anyone has a matter they wish to bring to the attention of Council, please contact Stephen Jewczyk Council Chair at sjewczyk@gmail.com.

BROADVIEW MAGAZINE (formally Observer) yearly subscriptions are now up for renewal. If you would like to renew your subscription or would like to receive a yearly subscription for the first time, please contact Paula Reynolds at 325-2106 or see me in church on or before May 31, 2022.-- Yearly subscriptions are \$25.00. You can pay me in cash or by cheque. **Please make cheque payable to "Broadview".**

THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be on Sunday, May 15, immediately after a short worship service in the sanctuary. More details to follow.

SEEKING 2022 CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS: The Church Council is seeking members of the congregation to sit on the 2022 Church Council. This is necessary to ensure compliance with the United Church governance requirement and to provide the continued leadership of our church, particularly in the coming year. The Church Council generally meets monthly in the evenings. If you are interested in being part of the Church Council, please email the Council Chair, Stephen B. Jewczyk at sjewczyk@gmail.com or telephone 763-3213.

SOCIAL MEDIA MANAGER VOLUNTEER: Council is seeking a volunteer to be actively engaged in Cochrane Street United Church's social media platforms (Facebook, YouTube, Twitter and Instagram). These have been developed for several years and are currently managed by Rev. Miriam Bowlby. The successful volunteer will support and update the various platforms on a weekly basis commencing in July 2022. If you are a social media whizz or someone in your household is interested in managing our social media platforms, please contact the church office at 722-3023 or info@cochranestreetuc.com. Rev. Miriam will provide an orientation lesson and what is required to keep them up to date.

COCHRANE STREET UNITED CHURCH PLANT SALE is Saturday, June 11, from 11:00am–2:00pm. Come visit us on the steps of 81 Cochrane Street to see our indoor & outdoor plants! Or stay for some BBQ – hotdog & drink for \$5! If you have any questions, please contact the church office by Wednesday, June 8, at info@cochranestreetuc.com or 722-3023.

SAVE YOUR PLANTS! Save your houseplants and outdoor plants so that the PLANT SALE can go ahead on Saturday, June 11. Drop off your indoor and outdoor plants on June 11, from 9:30–10:30am. If you need any plants picked up or have further queries, please contact the church office at info@cochranestreetuc.com or 722-3023. For affordable plant pots, try using 500 gram yogurt or margarine containers and poke holes in the bottom for drainage. Running out of room to put those plants - Why not sell them to your friends and neighbours? Start with \$3 for small plants. Proceeds towards Cochrane Street United Church.

COVENANTING SERVICE: The Covenanting Service for Rev. Paula Gale, The First Dawn Eastern Edge Regional Council and the Lewisporte Community of Faith will be held this coming Sunday, May 1, at 2:30pm, at St. Matthew's United Church in Lewisporte. Members of the Regional Council are urged to attend. The Covenanting Service **for Ms. Rebecca Pike**, The First Dawn Eastern Edge Regional Council and the Gower Street Community of Faith will be held on Wednesday, **May 4, at 7pm, at Gower Street United Church. Members of the Regional Council are urged to attend.**

ALL MEMBERS of the EASTERN REGIONS OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA: Below is a new document entitled "A Congregation as a Whole Being the Governing Body". This document has been updated, based on The United Church Manual 2022 of The United Church of Canada, for small congregations who are considering having the congregation as a whole being the Governing Body. Approval from the region is needed if using this model of governance. The new guidelines are found on the regional website under policies, or by using the following link: <https://ucceast.ca/67292-governance-for-a-congregation>. If you require further information, please do not hesitate to be in contact with your Regional Minister, or Rev. Faith March-MacCuish at fmaccuish@united-church.ca.

FDEE Annual Meeting 2022: First Dawn Eastern Edge will have its annual meeting on-line only from May 13 – 15. Registration is now live on the First Dawn Eastern Edge Regional Council website:

<https://ucceast.ca/first-dawn-eastern-edge-regionalcouncil-16/first-dawn-eastern-edge-regional-council-annual-meeting-2022>

The United Church has launched a CALL FOR NOMINATIONS (<https://united-church.ca/opportunities>) for the next Executive, the Board of Vocation, and a wide range of committees. These groups will carry out the work of the General Council after the 44th General Council in August. Lay people and ministry personnel are needed with a variety of skills who hold a commitment to supporting the work of the United Church. This is a great way to connect with other members, deepen your faith, and concretely support the call and vision of this United Church of ours.

YOUTH FORUM 2022: We are gauging interest for an in-person Youth Forum event on the weekend of June 4th for youth of our region age 12-18. Keep an eye out for registration! Clergy, youth, parent, leaders – please fill out the survey. <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdzZJxVFFLkUxPErLBiD1sNmfwqlrTqbmUDaNb2xZk7Eqjvaw/viewform>. Any questions, please contact Catherine at cstuart@united-church.ca.

BRIDGES TO HOPE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: The Bridges to Hope AGM will take place on **Monday, May 16th** at Wesley United Church. Anyone is welcome to attend the meeting, which will begin at 7:00 pm.

CAFÉ OF MEMORIES: Join us as Lodge Westmoorland, in partnership with Alzheimer Society of Newfoundland & Labrador, hosts an afternoon of entertainment and refreshments for those with dementia and their caregivers. WHERE: Freemason's Hall, 115 Mt. Carson Ave, Mount Pearl. **WHEN: May 4 and June 7** from 2pm–4pm. Please register by calling the Alzheimer Society at 709-576-0608 or email events@alzheimernl.ca. All events are free. Masks required.

FLIPPER DINNER: The Topsail United Men's Club will be holding a takeout Flipper Dinner on Monday, **May 16**, Pick up will be From 430 until 6 P.M. Tickets \$25, and must be paid for in Advance. No Sales at the Door. To Purchase please call the Church Office between 9 to 12, Monday Thru Friday at 834-4567.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH SPRING FAIR: On Saturday, **May 7**, from **10:00am - 12:00pm** we will have a will be having our Spring Fair Logy Bay Road. Come along and peruse our many baked goods, crafts, preserves and surprise table and try your luck by purchasing ticket on a beautiful basket. Unfortunately, we are not serving Morning Coffee at this time. Admission is \$1, come by and enjoy viewing the items. Masks are STRONGLY recommended.

Medjool Dates and Palestinian Olive Oil: If you are interested in purchasing them, please get in touch with Carmel Conway at 722 0121. If you are interested in Palestinian Olive oil you can obtain it at Gower St United Church or 'Food for Thought on 84 Gower Street'. Both sell for \$20.00.

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NOTES FROM THE ARCHIVES

The Newfoundland Quarterly Vol 11, 1911-1912 published Municipal Councils' statement of revenue and expenditures for 1912. Listed was \$200 to the Trustees of Cochrane Street Methodist Church. Ours was the only church listed. While this expenditure is interesting, the reason for it is unknown.